

Updates on the situation of the Cambodia-Thailand border
17 August 2025

I. Spokesperson of the Royal Government of Cambodia –

- **On false information:** the Spokesperson urged all fellow citizens of Cambodia to remain vigilant of false information widely spread on social media and even official news channels.
 - He emphasized that, “such false information aims to tarnish the reputation of Cambodian leadership and the country as a whole, as well as to sow disharmony and undermine our national unity, which is the robust shield defending our territorial integrity.”
 - In this context, the Spokesperson asked Cambodian nationals to seek information disseminated through official channels with authorized and verified sources from relevant ministries and institutions.
- In addition, the Government’s Spokesperson highlighted that the “Peace-loving hearts of the Cambodian leadership echo with its citizens voicing for peace; a plea to the international community and world leaders, urging all to see the truth in the border conflict between Cambodia and Thailand.”
- Reiterating that Cambodia is a nation that had to overcome and sacrifice everything to end the war and eventually achieved the hard-earned peace through the “Win-win policy” of Samdech Techo Hun Sen, former Prime Minister. Therefore, the Spokesperson remarked that “Peace” is still considered as the backbone of the nation’s development by the current leadership of Samdech Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of Cambodia,” thus reaffirming the country’s unwaveringly commitment to resolving border issues through technical and international legal mechanisms, absolutely not through the use of force.
- **On the Ceasefire Agreement:** the Spokesperson stated, “Cambodia considers this Ceasefire agreement to be tremendously beneficial in

ending damage to the military forces, civilians, and economy of both countries, as well as the impacts on regional security as a whole.”

- **On the violation of the Ottawa Convention:**

- As a responsible and active signatory to the Ottawa Convention, Cambodia strictly complies with its provisions and has never planted new landmines. Instead, the country active signatoryly demined over one million anti-personnel mines and has destroyed more than 3 million unexploded ordnance remnants resulting from past conflicts.
- Additionally, Cambodia has actively participated in international demining activities and contributed to peacekeeping operations under the patronage of the United Nations. Consequently, any baseless allegation suggesting that Cambodia has recently laid new landmines is unfounded and unjustified.

II. Spokesperson of the Ministry of National Defence of Cambodia –

- On August 17, 2025, the teams from Military Regions 4 and 5 held preparation meetings for the Cambodia-Thailand Regional Border Committee Meeting (RBC) scheduled for next week. These preparation meetings aimed to ensure that the upcoming RBC meeting can proceed smoothly, constructively, and with positive outcomes.
- **On the Situation at the Frontline:** Starting from midnight of August 17, 2025, up to 03:00 pm, the situation at the frontline, particularly at Military Region 4: Preah Vihear and Oddor Meachey provinces, remained calm and steady.
- It has been **19 days** since the 18 Cambodian soldiers were unlawfully detained by the Thai side.